

DX bulletin 307 04/07/2019 By ON9CFG ON9CFG@telenet.be

## **DX NEWS**

#### **T30GC West Kiribati -correction**

Stan, LZ1GC brought to my attention that I made a mistake concerning the dates, so here is the correction. (Thank you Stan!)

Stan LZ1GC, Mitko LZ3NY and Karel OK2WM will be operating as T30GC between October 7 and October 23. Activity from Tarawa Atoll (OC-017) from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY. QSL via Club Log (preferred), LoTW or via LZ1GC direct or bureau. Full details on <a href="http://c21gc.com/">http://c21gc.com/</a>

#### **World Wide Digi DX Contest**

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation ("WWROF"), in collaboration with the Slovenia Contest Club ("SCC"), is pleased to announce the first annual World Wide Digi DX Contest ("WW Digi"). The new contest taps into the excitement being generated by the new digital modes pioneered by Joe Taylor K1JT and the WSJT-X development team. The contest will occur over 24 hours on August 31 and September 1, 2019 using the FT4 and FT8 modes on the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10-meter bands.

WW Digi will utilize a distance-based scoring system to measure operators' abilities in making DX contacts across the 6 HF amateur radio bands. Contacts will earn points based on the distance between grid square centers of the two stations. This will encourage operators to seek out long distance weak signal contacts that highlight the technical advantages of the new digital modes. <a href="https://dx-world.net/world-wide-digi-dx-contest/">https://dx-world.net/world-wide-digi-dx-contest/</a>

#### **CY9C St Paul Island -update**

Just 29 days until CY9C lands on St. Paul Island. Hopefully, we are ready to challenge the propagation. Thanks to all who have supported us financially and will be attempting to work us. If you would like to donate for the upfront expenses, that would be very helpful and appreciated. For those who donate, we will AUTOMATICALLY send a QSL card (after confirming you are in the log). No further action on your part...the QSL will be on the way shortly after the Dxpedtion. Also, we will be prompt as to uploading to LoTW. <a href="https://cy9c.com/donate.html">https://cy9c.com/donate.html</a>

## **DXCC**

## This week on HF

**5X, UGANDA** Anders, SM0PHL is again operating as 5X7W until July 6. Operation during his spare time on 20 meter QRP using FT8, JT65 and CW. QSL via home call, Club Log and LoTW.

**60, SOMALIA** Ali, EP3CQ is once again active as 60100 until end July. Focus on 6 meter FT8. QSL direct via home call.

**9Y4, TRINIDAD & TOBAGO** Karel, OK2ZI is active as 9Y4/OK2ZI until July 6. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log OQRS. **E4, PALESTINE** Janusz, SP9FIH will once again be QRV as E44WE starting on July 6. Plans are to operate SSB, FT8 and/or RTTY on 80, 30, 20 and 6 meter. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via home call.

**H4, SOLOMON ISL** Bernhard, DL2GAC will once again be operating as H44MS from Malatai Isl between July 5 and September 25. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB only. QSL via home call.

**HR, HONDURAS** John, AD8J is QRV in 'holiday-style' as HR9/call until July 6. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct and LoTW. **JW, SVALBARD** Peter, LA7QIA is once again active as JW7QIA until July 6. Activity on 6 meter. All QSO will be uploaded to LoTW.

**JW, SVALBARD** Erling, LB2PG is QRV as JW/call until November. Activity from 80 to 20 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

KHO, MARIANA ISL Tom, KHO/KCOW will be QRV as KOW from July 5 until July 14. This is a Cow Special Event Station, see <a href="https://www.qrz.com/db/k0w">https://www.qrz.com/db/k0w</a> QSL via KCOW.

**XW, LAOS** Bruce, 3W3B is once again active as XW4XR until July 7. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via LoTW or via E21EIC.

**T2, TUVALU** The next T2AR mini-DXpedition is on air until July 6. QRV from 160 to 10 meter including 60m on CW, SSB, FT8, RTTY. This operation will be in collaboration with John KK7L, who will activate the T2R Club call during the same dates. QSL to respective calls.

**TK, CORSICA** Frans, DJ0TP will once again be QRV as TK/call in 'holiday-style' from July 10 until August 8. QSL via LoTW or via home call, direct or bureau.

**Z6, KOSOVO** Mome, Z32ZM will be active as Z68MA during July. QSL via Club Log OQRS. https://www.grz.com/db/z32zm

**Z8, SOUTH SUDAN** Diya, YI1DZ is once again operating as Z81D until October 10. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via OM3JW, OQRS.

## Coming up soon

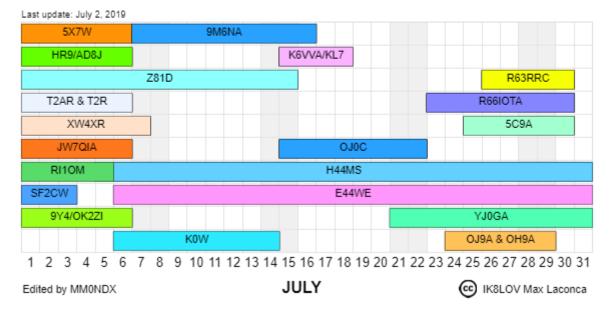
**4L, GEORGIA** David DL7ZM will be operating as 4L/call from July 13 until July 21. Operation on 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in the CQ WW VHF Contest is included. QSL via AD0PY direct only.

**GD, ISLE OF MAN** Dave, WJ2O will be QRV as MD/call from July 11 until July 17 including an entry in the IARU Contest. QSL via N2ZN.

OHO, ALAND ISL Look for OHOC during the IARU Contest (July 13-14) on all bands using CW and SSB. The consist of CO8DM, E21EIC, OH2BH, OH2TA and OH1CX. Outside the contest they will use their own call signs. QSL for OHOC via E21EIC. P4, ARUBA John W2GD will be QRV as P44W from July 11 until July 16. Operation using mainly CW, an entry in the IARU Contest is included. QSL via LoTW or via N2MM direct.

## **DXCC Timeline**

## FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE



## **IOTA**

## This week on HF

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-036 Hitra Isl** Jacques, CT2IXX is active as LA/call/P until July 12. Activity during his spare time using SSB only. QSL via home call.

**EU-119 Morzhovets Isl** Oleg UA1PBA, Yuri UA1OC, Alex UA1OJL and Alexei RN1ON are active as RI1OM until July 5. They plan to operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 40-10 meter. QSL via RN1ON and Club Log OQRS.

**EU-183 Sacalinu Isl** A group of 3 operators (VE7NY/YO3FBK, KO8SCA/YO8SCA and YO8WW) will activate for a period of about 30 hours starting at 05:00 UTC on July  $4^4$  as YP0H. The equipment will be two Icom IC-7300 stations with vertical SteppIR antennas and dipoles with an Expert 1.3KW amplifier.

**EU-192 Kataja Isl** For three days at the beginning of July, operators SM3DMP, SM3RAB and SM3WMU will activate one of the latest additions to the IOTA program. EU-192 is an island shared by Sweden and Finland. The island has been activated twice by two separate expeditions from the Finnish side of the border. Both activations were performed during the winter under Arctic conditions, both weather-wise and radio-wise. A great number of EU-stations were worked but not many contacts were made with NA, SA, AS and OC. The team, operating as SF2CW, will try to make up for that during this summer time expedition. <a href="https://www.qrz.com/db/SF2CW">https://www.qrz.com/db/SF2CW</a>

## Coming up soon

#### EUROPE

**EU-033 Texel Isl** Jan, PA2JJB will be active as PA6TXL from July 18 until August 10, included is an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call.

**EU-054 Levanzo Isl** Look for Ignazio IT9AGZ as IF9/call between July 16 and July 28. QSL via home call.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-004 Endicott Isl** Rick, K6VVA will be operating as call/KL7 from July 15-18. Activity on 40, 30 and 20 meter using CW with some SSB. http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na-004/

#### **OCEANIA**

**OC-133 Labuan Isl** Saty, JE1JKL will once again be active as 9M6NA from July 11 until July 16. An entry in the IARU HF Championship is included. Before and after the contest he will focus on 6 meter FT8. QSL via LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

#### THE NEWCOMERS

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Rick, AI5P will be active from Tahiti as FO/AI5P between July 22 and July 29. Operation from 40 to 17 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via home call. FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Look for VO1IDX, DJ6GI, DM4IM and DD5ZZ as TO5M from Ile aux Marins between August 10 and August 18. Activity from 160 to 6 meter with 4 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. Real-time log and QSL via Club Log. http://fp2019.net/

**H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS** Michael, DL2GMI will be QRV from Malaita between August 22 and September 2. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. Callsign is pending. **J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB will once again be active as J88PI from April 6 until April 14, 2020. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**P4, ARUBA** Jaap, PA7DA will be operating as P4/call from October 17 until October 31. Activity in 'holiday-style' on 40, 20 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**T30, WEST KIRIBATI** Look for T30ET from March 18 until April 2, 2020 from Tarawa. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. <a href="http://www.5b4alx.cloud/">http://www.5b4alx.cloud/</a>

**T8, PALAU** Nobuaki, JA0JHQ will once again be active as T88PB from Koror between September 6-9. Activity on HF. QSL via JH0JHQ.

TI9, COCOS ISL TI9C...More to follow.

**VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND** Rick, AI5P will after his trip to Tahiti be active as VK9APX during August 1-10. Operation from 40 to 17 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via home call.

**VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND** Janusz, SP9FIH will be QRV as VK9NK starting mid-January 2020 for a couple of weeks. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call.

#### THE REMINDERS

3B8, MAURITIUS Olof, G0CKV and others will be operating as 3B8MU during the CQWW CW Contest (Nov 23-24). Operation before and after the contest mostly on the low bands between November 18 and November 29. QSL via M0OXO.

3D2, FIJI Heli, DD0VR will be operating as 3D2VR during September 2-9 and again from September 23-27. Operation from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via home call.

3DA0, KINGDOM OF ESWATINI Look for Pista HA5AO to return to eSwatini (Swaziland) from September 15 until October 1. Activity as 3DA0AO for 2 weeks from 80 to 10 meter using CW, RTTY and FT8. QSL via OQRS <a href="https://www.ha5ao.com">https://www.ha5ao.com</a>

5W, SAMOA Heli DD0VR and Sabine DE3BWR will be QRV as 5W0VR between September 9 and September 16. Operation on HF. QSL via DD0VR.

5X, UGANDA The Italian DXpedition Team will be active from Uganda during September/October 2019. Look for them as 5X0T using CW, SSB and RTTY and as 5X0X using FT8. More to follow.

- **7P, LESOTHO** Pista, HA5AO is returning to Lesotho as a volunteer to a local community group. Operation from October 1-19 from 80 to 10 meter during his spare time. Log and OQRS on <a href="http://ha5ao.com">http://ha5ao.com</a>
- **8Q, MALDIVES** Gil, IZ2DLV will be operating from Nika Island as 8Q7GB between August 6 and August 18. Activity in 'holiday-style' from 80 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.
- **8Q, MALDIVES** Sugi, JI3KDH will be operating as 8Q7SU from North Male Atoll between July 31 and August 7. Operation from 20 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via LoTW.
- **9G, GHANA** A large team with S50A, S50R, S51DS, S51TC, S51ZJ, S54W and S57UN will be operating as 9G5W from Kokrobite between November 16 and November 17. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included. QSL via S54W, LoTW, Club Log. https://ghana.si/
- **9U, BURUNDI** Francesco, IV3TMM will be active as 9U3TMM between August 31 and September 17 from Bujumbura. Activity in 'holiday-style' from 60 to 6 meter using FT8, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call.
- **9X, RWANDA** Harald, DF2WO will once again be QRV as 9X2AW from Kigali. Activity from November 4 until November 16.
- A3, TONGA Helmut, DD0VR will be active from Tonga as A35JY during September 16-21. This activity is between Helmut's 3D2VR operation. QRV on HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.
- A3, TONGA Grant VK5GR with Andrew VK5AKH and Oly VK5XDX will be active as A35JT. An entry in the CQWW RTTY and OCDX SSB contest is included. The team is keen for a 4 square on 40/30, beams on 20/10 and verticals for 160/60 meter. Planned dates are September 22 October 7, 2019. http://vk5gr-iota.net/?p=1288
- CY9, ST PAUL ISL THE CY0 DXpedition team with 7 operators will be active from July 31 until August 7 as CY9C. It is rare on CW and a big effort will be made for this, furthermore all bands will be activated using all modes. QSL via WA4DAN direct, LoTW and Club Log. <a href="http://cy9c.com/index.html">http://cy9c.com/index.html</a>
- **D4, CAPE VERDE** Harald, DF2WO will once again be operating as D44TWO from Praia Baixa. QRV in 'holiday-style' from September 29 until October 13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via M00XO.
- **D6, COMOROS** The International MDXC team will be active as D68CCC from October 20 until November 1. A large team with Antonio, IZ8CCW as team leader will be on air with 5 stations using all modes. More to follow.
- **EL, LIBERIA** During September/October the Italian DXpedition team will be active as A82C (CW and SSB) and as A82Z for digital modes. The team will be active with 11 operators and 5 stations using CW, SSB and digi. Real-Time logging. <a href="http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/">http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/</a>
- **FH, MAYOTTE** Willi, DJ7RJ will once again be active as FH/call starting mid-October. Focus on 160 meter. QSL via home call.

## FH, MAYOTTE

#### FR, REUNION

Willi, DJ7RJ will once again be active as FH and FR/call during October 2019. Focus on top band from Mayotte. QSL via home call.

- **FO/M MARQUESAS ISL** Members of the CAN-AM DXpedition Group will be operating from the island of Hiva Oa in the Marquesas Islands for 10-12 days between November 6-19. The Marquesas Islands rank #60 on Club Log DXCC "most wanted" list. Operations will include all available bands 160m-10m and CW, SSB and FT8. Operators are: F6BCW, K4UEE, K5PI, W5MJ, W5SJ, W5RF, VA7DX and VE7KW. This includes operators from TX5T last year. QSLs will be available via Direct and LoTW. More to follow
- **FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Oliver, W6NV will be operating as FO/call from Tahiti between July 19-21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter with vertical antennas. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- **FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between September 24 and October 8. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, LoTW.

- **FS, SAINT MARTIN** Look for FS/K9NU, FS/W9ILY, FS/N9AOL, John FS/K9EL and Marco FS4WBS in December. Primary focus will be on the low bands using CW and FT8. QSL for all calls via home call, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS, LoTW. FS4WBS goes to IZ1MHY. <a href="http://k9el.com/SaintMartin2019/SXM2019.htm#Operating">http://k9el.com/SaintMartin2019/SXM2019.htm#Operating</a>
- **GD, ISLE OF MAN** Members of the NBDX Team will be operating as MD/OP2D between September 21 and September 27. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via M0URX OQRS. <a href="http://users.telenet.be/on4ann/MD/">http://users.telenet.be/on4ann/MD/</a>
- **GJ, JERSEY** MJ0ILB (OK1BIL), MJ0IKL (OK1DOL), MJ/OK1FIK, MJ/OK1FWM, MJ/OK1NP and MJ/OK3RM will be active from July 19 until July 28. Activity on HF and 6 and 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as MJ0ICD. QSL via OK1DOL, direct or bureau.
- **HC, ECUADOR** Joe, IZ1HGP will be operating as HC2/call from August 1 until September 1. Activity from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via LoTW.
- **J8, ST VINCENT** Tom, KCOW will be operating as J8CW. Dates not yet known but it will be a dedicated CW operation. More to follow soon.
- **JW**, **SVALBARD** Freddy, ON6FDP will be QRV from JW/ON7SA during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28). QSL via home call.
- OHO, ALAND ISL Bert DK3BK, Uwe DO5JD and Cornelia DK3CKM will be operating as OH0UDG from August 3 until August 17. Activity from 80 to 10 meter. QSL via M0OXO. OJO, MARKET REEF Look for OJ0O (DS4EOI, JE6HIB, JH4RHF and W5XU) from August 17 until August 24. An entry in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend is included. QSL via OE1ZKC.
- **PYOT, TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ** ZZ0T will be the next DXpedition in 2019. Full details soon.
- **S7, SEYCHELLES** Lance, W7GJ will be active as S79GJ from September 18 until October 5 on a 6 meter EME DXpedition. This is the first time that this will be activated on 6m EME. For all details see: <a href="http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Seychelles%202019.html">http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Seychelles%202019.html</a>
- **T30, WEST KIRIBATI** Stan LZ1GC, Mitko LZ3NY and Karel OK2WM will be operating as T30GC between October 7 and October 23. Activity from Tarawa Atoll (OC-017) from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY. QSL via Club Log (preferred), LoTW or via LZ1GC direct or bureau. Full details on <a href="http://c21gc.com/">http://c21gc.com/</a>
- **T33, BANABA ISL** T33T by the Rebel DX Group, after their Conway Reed DXpedition they will be QRV from Banaba within the next month or so.
- **T8, PALAU** Look for T88FM (JM1LIG), T88RR (JA6UBY) and T88MK (JO3LVG) between September 12 and September 21. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. **TT, CHAD** The Italian DXpedition Team is going to Chad. TT8RR for CW, SSB and RTTY, TT8XX for FT8. More to follow.
- **V4, ST KITTS** John, W5JON will once again be operating as V47JA from his vacation home in Calypso Bay between July 20 and August 11. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.
- VK9C, COCOS KEELING Keith GM4YXI and Chris GM3WOJ will once again be active as VK9CZ between November 12 and November 29. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and some FT8. QSL via LoTW and Club Log OQRS. <a href="http://www.vk9cz2019.com">http://www.vk9cz2019.com</a> VK9N, NORFOLK ISL Jacek SP5EAQ (SSB), Mek SP7VC (digital) and Marcin SP5ES (CW) will be active from Norfolk: SP5EAQ October 18 November 4, SP7VC October 18-October 28, SP5ES October 28 November 4. QSL via SP7VC, direct or bureau, LoTW. VP6, PITCAIRN ISL A large team of 14 operators such as K0IR, EY8MM, N2TU, W0GJ will be operating as VP6R in October 2019. Operation on all bands using all modes. More to follow. <a href="https://pitcairndx.com/">https://pitcairndx.com/</a>
- **VP8, SOUTH ORKNEY** After their successful VP6D Ducie Island 2018 DXpedition, the Perseverance DX Group is pleased to announce their intention to activate South Orkney Islands as VP8/VP8DXU, currently Club Log #16 most wanted.
- Planning has begun for an expedition in February/March 2020. A team of experienced DX and Contest operators will operate from Signy Island for up to 15 days. The process of obtaining landing permission is underway. The call sign will be announced at a later date. The team will sail from Punta Arenas, Chile aboard RV Braveheart. Seven operating positions are planned for 160-10 meters, SSB/CW/Digital.

The team includes: Dave K3EL, Les W2LK, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Arliss W7XU, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Mike WA6O, Vadym UT6UD, Walt N6XG and Rob N7QT. <a href="https://sorkney.com/">https://sorkney.com/</a>

**VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISL** Shabu, M0KRI and others will be operating as VU7RI from October 19 until November 3. Operation from 80 to 6 meter with a focus on the higher bands using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via M0KRI, LoTW and Club Log.

**XT, BURKINA FASO** Harald, DF2WO will once again be QRV as XT2AW from December 2 until December 20. QRV on HF using CW, SSB and digi.

**XV, VIETNAM** Look for XV9D between November 16 and December 1 with a focus on the 5 lowest bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via EA5GL.

**YJ, VANUATU** Oleh, KD7WPJ will be operating from Efate Island as YJ0BCP from October 3 until October 10. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call for CW and SSB. FT8 via LoTW.

**YJ, VANUATU** Geoff, ZL3GA will be operating from the Malowia Guest House between July 21 and August 3. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau.

**Z2, ZIMBABWE** The Z2LA and 7P8LB team are planning a next trip from March 5 until March 15, 2020. Look for the team as 9J2LA. They will focus on CW and FT8 for the low bands and CW, SSB and FT8 for the higher bands. QSL via M0OXO. <a href="http://9j2la.com/">http://9j2la.com/</a> **ZD7, ST HELENA** Oliver, W6NV will be QRV as ZD7W during the CQWW CW contest (November 23-24). QSL via LoTW.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Frank, K3TRM will be QRV as ZF2RM, dates not known yet. He specifically mentions Cayman Brac, therefore his call may change to ZF9/ZF2RM when operating from there.

**ZK3, TOKELAU** An international team led by YT1AD and Alex UT5UY is planning a DXpedition to Tokelau as ZK3A, it has a high rating on low bands and EME. Plans are to be on air from October 1 until October 15. Activity on all bands, all modes and EME. The team will also help ten (10) young locals in becoming Radio Amateurs and has arranged for a call sign (**ZK3RT**) to be granted to the Tokelau Club Station which will have equipment donated by our team. It has been decided amongst the ops there will be two operating camps and with concentration on the low bands. There will be an advanced installation crew that will be sent prior to the main body of operators arriving. Dusko ZL3WW, Adrian KO8SCA, and Rob NQ7T have volunteered to become the advanced installation crew. <a href="https://tokelau2019.com/">https://tokelau2019.com/</a>

## **Announced IOTA**

## <u>THE NEWCOMERS</u>

#### **EUROPE**

EU-126 Lappi Province Group OH9A QSL via OH1NOA

EU-192 Kataja/Inakari Isl OJ9A QSL via OH2BH

During July 24-29, Radio Arcala, OH8X group of OH8NC, Juha, OH2BH, Martti, OH1MA, Jaakko, OH2MM, Ville, OH2GEK, Niko, OH9RJ, Arno and OH9VC, Jouko will activate two of the rarest Northern European IOTA counters simultaneously on all HF-bands, including the IOTA contest in Multi-2 category.

**EU-185 Sudzhuk Isl** Valery, RU6DX will once again be active as RU6DX/P during the IOTA contest (July 27-28). Activity as SOAB. QSL via home call.

## **THE REMINDERS**

#### **AFRICA**

**AF-054 Mafia Isl** Elena RC5A and Yuri RM0F will be active as 5H3CA and 5H3RRC between September 29 and October 5. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via RC5A.

**AF-057 Nosy Be** Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active as 5R8PX from August 3 until August 17. Operation on HF using SSB and digital. QSL via IK2DUW.

**AF-118 Los Farallones Isl** 5C9A: Last year plans to activate Los Farallones Island, AF-118NEW were announced. A few weeks later it transpired that Navy and Government permission had not been given therefore that particular expedition was postponed. This year a new expedition to AF-118 has been announced with planning behind the scenes ongoing. A team is assembled with CN8QY as leader. Planned dates of activity are July 25-30, 2019. <a href="https://5c9a.com/">https://5c9a.com/</a>

#### **ASIA**

**AS-040 Goto Isl** Yasu, JA6WJL will be active on July 26-29. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. An entry in the IOTA Contest is included. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, logsearch on Club Log.

**AS-066 Popov Isl** Vladimir, UA0LCZ will once again be QRV as R66IOTA from July 23 until July 30. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

#### **AS-063 Popigay-Ary Isl**

#### **AS-152 Bol'shoy Begichev**

Eugene UA6EX, Leonid UA7A and Vasily R7AA will be active as R63RRC and RQ73QQ around July 26. Water trips to and from the islands are about 800 km distance. The team seeks one more operator (who will pay for their plane tickets and some of the other costs). Contact the team at: r7aa@mail.ru. The project is quite expensive due to flights in Upper North. <a href="https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/r63rrc/en">https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/r63rrc/en</a>

**R63RRC**, Popigay-Ary island, IOTA: AS-063, RRA: NEW ONE, WWloc: OQ32AW, RDA: KK-65, Krasnovarsk region (R0B).

**RQ73QQ**, Bol'shoy Begichev island, IOTA: AS-152, RRA: RR-08-04, WWloc: OQ64AM, RDA: YA-10, Republic of Sakha (R0Q).

https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/r63rrc/en

**AS-206 Sado Isl** Shigeru, JI3CEY will be QRV as call/0 on July 20-22. Plans are to be operating on HF using CW and SSB in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

#### <u>EUROPE</u>

**EU-068 Sein Isl** Members of the F6KOP Radio Club will participate in the IOTA Contest as TM5S. QSL via F5MFV, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

**EU-112 Shiant Isles** Team MS0INT is planning a 3-day activity from Europe's 5<sup>th</sup> most wanted IOTA. Activity end August 2019. More to follow.

**EU-122** Rathlin Isl John, G3WVG will be QRV s MN5A during the IOTA Contest (July 27-28). Operation in mixed mode. QSL via LoTW.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA IOTA trip by Mike VE7ACN** 

NA-068 Miscou Isl VE7ACN/VE9 August 11-18

NA-077 Anticosti Isl VE7ACN/VE2 August 21-31

NA-125 Ile Grande Basque August 3-9

NA-176 Ile Quarry VA7XW/VE2 July 25-August 1

QSL via Club Log OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau. https://www.ve7acn.com/

**NA-038 Iles de la Madeleine** Jim WA4YIZ, Becky KA2BEC, Richard VE2DX and YXL will be active as VX2A11 to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Apollo 22 Moon Landing. Operation from July 23 until July 30. QSL via VE2STN.

**NA-077 Anticosti Isl** Mike, VE7ACN will be QRV as VE7ACN/VE2 from August 21 until August 31. QSL via home call.

**NA-112 Bald Head Isl** Brian, K4BRI will be active as call/P on July 30-31. This is a portable operation with activity mainly on 20 meter using CW and SSB but can depend on propagation. QSL via home call.

**NA-210 Sledge Isl** Members of the Russian Robinson Club will be active as KL7RRC/P from August 25 until September 3. Operation is planned from 40 to 6 meter with 3 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO, Club Log.

NA-211 Tillamook Rock Permission has been obtained for a DXpedition around November-December. A team with Mike AD5A, Rob N7QT, Alexei NW7M and Yuri N3QQ

will be operating from the Rock. There is a fundraiser on Facebook to help cover the transportation costs. More to follow.

https://www.facebook.com/donate/444710879405793/2710859262274736/

#### **OCEANIA**

**VANUATU IOTA DXpedition** Sergei RZ3FW and Sergei R4WAA will be active from

Vanuatu as **YJORRC** during November 2019.

OC-035 Efate Isl November 14-20 YJ0FWA

OC-104 Gaua Isl November 4-11 YJORRC

OC-111 Tongoa Isl November 8-13 YJORRC

YJORRC from 40 to 18 meter using CW, SSB and digi with 2 stations.

YJ0FWA will also be on 160 and 80 meter.

Full planning: <a href="https://r4waa9.wixsite.com/yj0rrc">https://r4waa9.wixsite.com/yj0rrc</a>

**OC-142 Heron Isl** Steve, VK2IAY/4 will be operating between December 2 and December 9. Operation mainly on 20 meter using SSB. QSL via G0UIH.

#### **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-100 Pajaros Rocks** A team led by IT9YRE is working on a new plan to activate SA-100 as 3G1DX around October 18-19-20...Efforts are made for 2 stations mainly CW and SSB. QSL via XQ4CW.

## **WWFF INFO**

**F, FRANCE** FFF-0056, Reserve naturelle Marais d'Yves: Franck/F4DTO and Patrick/F4GFE will be celebrating their 10th anniversary of operating from the Reserve naturelle Marais d'Yves (FFF-0056) with the call TM17FFF. Planned dates are: July 5; August 19, 26, 30; September 13, 23; October 11, 14. QSL via bureau or via F4GFE (d/B). (tnx DXNL)

## **Lightships and Lighthouses**

**F, FRANCE** Berck-sur-Mer LH FR-0014 A team will be active as TM0BSM between August 15 and August 18 during the International Lightship and Lighthouse weekend. QSL via DL0AD, bureau or direct.

**XE, MEXICO** Operators from Radioaficionados Yucatecos will be active as **XF3LL** from Celarain Lighthouse, Cozumel Island NA-090 during the International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend (<u>August 17-18</u>, 2019). Activity from 10m to 40m, ssb, data and satellite. QSL via XE3N.

## Special calls

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**DL, GERMANY DLOSOP** is the special call <u>during July</u> to markt the 61<sup>st</sup> edition of the Sea Of Peace Award. All QSO's will be confirmed automatically via bureau, direct cards to DL4SVA. More info on <a href="http://dlosop.darc.de/">http://dlosop.darc.de/</a>

**F, FRANCE TM19MAB** will be active to mark the Grand Est Mondial Air Balloon <u>between July 21 and August 4</u>. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB and DIGI. QSL via F4ESV, log upload to Club Log and LoTW.

**G, ENGLAND GB13COL** is the special call for the Durham District and Amateur Radio Society to participate in the "13 Colonies Special Event" <u>until July 8</u> as a "bonus station". QSL direct to G0VLF.

**G, ENGLAND** On 25-26 July 1939 Polish, French and British cryptanalysts met outside Warsaw to share what they knew about Enigma. Three English special callsigns will be

used to commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that history-changing meeting: **GB80ENI** (1 July-28 August), **GB2ENI** (15 July-11 August) and **GB4ENI** (29 July-25 August). The activity is organized by Wojtek G0IDA, Karol G0UNU and Krzysztof M0AXH.

**G, ENGLAND** Commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first manned lunar landing, the Leicester Radio Society is active as **GB5EHL** <u>until July 28</u>. Main activity taking place on July 20-21. They operate SSB, CW, RTTY, SSTV, PSK and FT8 on the HF and VHF bands. The special callsign's suffix stands for "[the] Eagle Has Landed", the words that announced that the Lunar Module had touched down on the Moon's surface.

**JA, JAPAN** Look for **8J8HAM** <u>until September 22</u> around the sixth Hokkaido Ham Fair. QSL via bureau.

**LX, LUXEMBOURG** Members of the Luxembourg Amateur Radio Union (LARU) are active as **LX50MOON** in July to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first manned mission to land on the Moon. QSL via LoTW; paper QSL cards sent automatically via bureau. **OJO, MARKET REEF** Northern Market Reed is celebrating her 50th DXCC year. The OJO Party Wagon will get under way this coming Saturday, July 6th with multiple call signs and an international team. If you work five (5) different OJO call signs in 2019, a special award will be released. If you work ten (10) of them in 2019, you will qualify for a special award and a symbolic key to the light house. Your log extract should be submitted to Pasi, OH3WS, the contact person between the Finnish Lighthouse Society (FLS) and the global ham fraternity.

Here is your shopping list;

06-10. July **OJOA** (ops CO8DM, DJ9ZB, E21EIC, E20NKB, SM3DYU, OH2TA, OH2BH, OH3JR)

10-13. July **OJOB**, **OJOZ** (ops DJ9ZB, OH2PM, PB2T, OH3JR )

13-20. July OJOC (ops OH1UBO, OH2FB, OH3UAF, OH3WS)

25-31. July OJODX (ops DL3DXX, DJ4MF, DL5SE, SM0W, SA0LAT)

17-24. Aug **OJOO** (ops JH4RHF, JE6HIB, DS4EIO, W5XU, OG2M, OH3JR)

note: OJOAW, OJOW were earlier 2019 activations.

Additionally, the host operators will fill some slots and several odd band/modes; **OJOW** (OH3WS), **OJOJR** (OH3JR), **OJOBH** (OH2BH) and **OJOMR** (OG2M).

The activations above will make eleven (11) OJO call signs to hunt. Thank you for being part of the OJO 50-Years celebrations.

**VK, AUSTRALIA** The Tablelands Radio & Electronics Club will operate special event station **VI50ML** on July 13-21 to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first manned lunar landing. A commemorative QSL card will be available for download at https://www.silvertrain.com.au/

W, USA The following stations are active during the 11th annual "13 Colonies Special Event", held until 4 UTC on July 8: K2A (New York), K2B (Virginia), K2C (Rhode Island), K2D (Connecticut), K2E (Delaware), K2F (Maryland), K2G (Georgia), K2H (Massachusetts), K2I (New Jersey), K2J (North Carolina), K2K (New Hampshire), K2L (South Carolina), and K2M (Pennsylvania), plus the "bonus station" WM3PEN (operating from Philadelphia, the city where the US independence was declared). See http://www.13colonies.net/ for information on the award programme.

#### THE REMINDERS

**CE, CHILE** The Grupo YL Zona norte is QRV as **CB1SOL** and as **CB2SOL** <u>until July 7</u>. This to mark the solar eclipse that occured on July 2. Operations on all bands. QSL for both calls via CA2MEM.

**DL, GERMANY DM19LGS** marks the 8<sup>th</sup> State Horticultural Show in Frankenberg/Saxony <u>during 2019</u> on HF and 2m/70cm with the special DOK 19LGS. QSL via bureau or via DG0ERS direct.

**DL, GERMANY** The German award hunters group DIG celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **DR50DIG** (DIG #6477, DOK DIG). QRV <u>until end 2019</u>. QSL via bureau or direct via DH1PAL.

**DL, GERMANY** The special event station **DQ600UNI** celebrates the 600<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rostock University during 2019; special DOK 600UNI from September until December;

- <u>during August</u> the station's special DOK will be HSR19 (Hanse-Sail 2019). QSL via bureau and DL5KVV (d).
- **DL, GERMANY** Special station **DR19RGD** (DOK 19RG) is operating <u>until July 31</u>, this to mark the 19<sup>th</sup> Ruhr Games in Duisburg. QSL via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY DM775FLD** celebrates the founding of the town Friedland 775 years ago <u>during 2019</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY** The special event calls **DM70GER** and **DL70BRD** celebrate Germany's Septuagennial Jubilee <u>throughout the year</u>. An award will be available as well. QSL for DM70GER via M0SDV direct or Club Log OQRS, DL70BRD via DK1YH direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS.
- **DL, GERMANY** The DARC club of Bad Doberan celebrates its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **DM460DA** <u>until end October</u>. Founding fathers in 1959 were Heinz Dittman, DM3XA and Horst Koschay, DM4DA. QSL via DL9GFB, direct or bureau.
- **EA, SPAIN** The Asociacion de Radioaficionados de Padron (ASORAPA) will be QRV as **AO50MOON** during July. This to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first manned Moon landing. QSL via EA1RCI direct or bureau. TNX 425DX
- **EA, SPAIN** URE San Fernando EA7URF will participate in the official celebrations for the 500th anniversary of the first circumnavigation of the Earth, started in 1519 under the lead of Ferdinand Magellan and completed in 1522 by Juan Sebastian Elcano. Ten special event stations will be active over the next three years, each of them representing a milestone of the voyage. The first one will be **AM500SEV**, which will be active on 10-18 August to memorialize the departure of the expedition from Sevilla (10 August 1519). QSL via EA7URF (bureau or direct), LoTW. TNX 425DX
- **F, FRANCE** The Association Mosellane des RadioAmateurs is active as **TM57FFC** <u>until</u> <u>July 9</u>. The special callsigns are for the FIFA Women's World Cup of football, whose 8<sup>th</sup> edition will be held in France. QSL via the bureau, or direct to F-11734. TNX 425DX **F, FRANCE** The Radio Club de Granville will be QRV as **TM75GRV** <u>from July 29 until August 3</u>. This to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day and for the 75<sup>th</sup> annivesary of the liberation of Granville. QSL via F5KAQ.
- **F, FRANCE** Members of the Radio Club du Val d'Issole are operating as **TM500LDV** <u>until</u> <u>July 20</u> to mark the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Leonardo da Vinci. Activity on HF using CW, SSB, PSK and FT8. QSL via F4GPB.
- **G, ENGLAND** The RSGB invites everyone to their Cricket World Cup Radio Marathon 2019 <u>until July 14</u>. 31 special event calls from Great Britain and other countries will participate on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. British special event calls will make use of the prefix **GB19** (GB19CWC, GB19OT etc).
- **G, ENGLAND GB100GP** is a commemorative callsign allocated to Gilwell Park's permanent station (GB2GP) to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the headquarters of the Scout Association in the UK. Next planned activations are for <u>12-14 and 25-28 July</u>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. TNX 425DX
- **HB9, SWITZERLAND** During 2019 are the Swiss Amateur Stations allowed to use the prefix **HB90** instead of HB9 and **HB30** instead of HB3. This to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen Amateure.
- **HP, PANAMA** Victor, HP1AVS and others are active as **H31A** <u>until August 15</u>. This to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Panama La Vieja. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital modes. QSL via HP1AS or LoTW.
- **HS, THAILAND** The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand is active as **HS10KING** on all bands and all modes <u>until July 31</u>. This to celebrate the coronation of King Rama X. All QSO's will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.
- **I, ITALY** The special call **IIOKT** commemorates the voyage of the raft Kon Tiki in 1947. QRV <u>until August 31</u>. QSL via I0KQB.
- **I, ITALY** ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour twelve "Italian pioneers in radio engineering":
- **II4MJR** (Quirino Majorana) in July
- II4BRD (Cesare Bardeloni) in August
- II4GRM (Gruppo Radiotecnico Milanese) in September
- II4MNU (Ernesto Montu') in October

II4VAL (Giancarlo Vallauri) in November

II4TIB (Ugo Tiberio) in December.

See <a href="http://www.arifidenza.it/">http://www.arifidenza.it/</a> for complete information on the award. QSL via IQ4FE, bureau or direct.

**I, ITALY** The ARI Fidenza Club (IQ4FE) plans to honour Italian radio pioneers <u>during</u> 2019. In January, **II4CAL** points to Temistocle Calzecchi-Onesti. QSL via IQ4FE. <a href="http://www.arifidenza.it/">http://www.arifidenza.it/</a>

**LZ, BULGARIA** Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour as many different Orthodox saints:

**LZ1809PNS** (July), **LZ304AE** (August), **LZ304EW** (September), **LZ311HI** (October), **LZ365BM** (November) and **LZ4408SPA** (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2019" award can be found at <a href="http://www.lz1kcp.com/">http://www.lz1kcp.com/</a>

**OH, FINLAND** The Finnish section of the International Police Association celebrates its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **OG60IPA** throughout 2019. QSL via OH4MDY.

**OK, CZECH REP** Look for **OL75CLAY** <u>until end July</u>. This to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Operation Clay, executed during World War II in the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia by Czech paratroopers. QSL via OK2PXJ.

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the International Astronomical Union, three Dutch special event stations will be active as follows: Oudenbosch <u>until 7 July</u> **PB100IAU** Leiden Astronomical Observatory <u>6-28 July</u> **PC100IAU** Louwman Museum, The Hague. See qrz.com for more information and QSL routes.

**PY, BRAZIL** To celebrate the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Grupo Curva do Rio de Radioamadores, **ZZ15CDR** (July) is activated on HF. QSL via LoTW.

**SM, SWEDEN** Celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Sweden's National Society for the Active Visually Impaired (SK5CG) will be active as **SF50CG** throughout 2019. QSL via SM0BYD. **TA, TURKEY** GITRAD Giresun Telsiz Radyo Amatorleri ve Doga Sporlari Dernegi is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the special call **TC10GITRAD**. It will be on the air until 31 December 2019, The log will be uploaded to eqsl and LoTW regularly. For any miscoppied callsign, please send an e-mail to TA7AZC (qrz.com recorded). No cards are required at this end and if you need a hardcopy qsl card please send it direct to TA7AZC (SASE+3GS)

**UR, UKRAINE** Look for **EN185UNIV** <u>until end 2019</u> to celebrate the 185<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv. QSL via UT8UF.

**VE, CANADA** Special call **XN1M** is active <u>until July 21</u> from Newfoundland Island to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first manned mission to land on the Moon. QSL via VO1IDX and LoTW.